GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
RAILWAYS
LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:4063
ANSWERED ON:14.12.2000
DOUBLING OF RAIL LINES IN PUNJAB
BHAN SINGH BHAURA

Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) whether there is any proposal under active consideration of the Government for laying double line tracks in Punjab;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) if not, whether the Railways are doing survey for laying double track between Ambala and Bhatinda under Ferozepur Division; and

(d) if so, the details thereof?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI DIGVIJAY SINGH)

(a): Yes, Sir.

(b): Doubling of Jallandhar-Pathankot-Jammu Tawi, which is substantially in Punjab, has been included in the budget to be taken up after obtaining the requisite clearances, action for which has been initiated. Work would be started once these clearances have been received.

(c)&(d) : Yes Sir, a traffic survey for doubling of Rajpura-Bhatinda section (174 km) is in progress. The survey is targeted for completion by 30.6.2001.